gross indifference on the part of the concerned department of the Central Government in taking various steps necessary for the purpose of securing proper implementation of the directions given by this Court from time to time. We directed by our order dated 2nd February, 1984 that this Central Government will prepare copies of the amendment Writ Petition and serve them on the other respondents in Writ Petition No. 3492 of 1983 and the respondents will file their counter affidavits with four weeks from the date of that order and within three weeks thereafter affidavit in rejoinder, if any, may be filled by the petitioner. Though this direction was given by us as far back as 2nd February, 1984 we find that no steps have been taken by the Central Government to prepare copies of the amended Writ Petition and to serve them on the other respondents, despite the fact that more than two years and nine months have elapsed since then. It seems that the concerned Department of the Central Government is for some inexplicable reason not interested in early disposal of the Writ Petition, though the Writ Petition filed by the petititioner is intended to safeguard and protect the un-suspecting public against drugs which, according to the petitioner, are banned in the developed countries but which are sought to be dumped on Third World Countries by the Multi-Nationals. It may be pointed out that since no steps were taken by the Central Government to carry out the directions given by us on 2nd February, 1984, we gave further time to the Central Government by our order dated 5th September, 1986 to make the paper books ready with proper pagination before 4th November, 1986 and to file their Counter Affidavit within three weeks from the date of that order. But we find that this direction too has not been carried out by the Central Government.

Though we directed by our order dated 11th April, 1983, when we admitted the Writ Petition that notice should go to the Indian Medical Council, Indian Medical Association and the Drug Controllers of all States in India except the Drug Controller of the State of Kerala, to answer the averments made in the Writ Petition and such notice was issued to them we find that none of them has cared to file an affidavit in this Court though more than 3 1/3 years have elapsed.

राजकुमार मिल रेलवे क्रांसिग इन्दौर में ऊपरि पुल

2439. **श्री राधाकिशन मालवीय :** क्या रेल मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या सरकार इन्दौर में राजकुमार मिल रेलवे क्रासिंग पर एक ऊपरि पुल के निर्माण का विचार रखती है, जैसी कि उन्होंने 27 जनवरी, 1987 को इंदौर में घोषणा की थी, और

(ख) यदि हां, तो उक्त रेलवे क्रासिंग पर प्रस्तावित ऊपरि पुल के निर्माण पर कितनी अनुमानित लागत आयेगी और इसका निर्माण कार्य कब तक शुरू होने की संभावना है ?

रेल मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री माधवराव सिंधिया): (क) जी हां ।

(ख) निर्माण की लागत लगभग 275 लाख रुपये है । राज्य सरकार के साथ संयुक्त रूप से नक्शों, अनुमानों तथा अन्य तकनीकी ब्यौरों को अन्तिम रूप देने के बाद कार्य शुरू किया जायेगा ।

Narmada and Tapti as National Waterways

2440. SHRI VITHALBHAI MOTIRAM PATEL Will the Minister of SURFACE TRANSPORT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the National Transport Policy Committee has suggested declaring of Narmada and Tapti rivers of Gujarat as National Waterways;

(b) what are the reasons for not declaring Narmada and Tapti rivers as National Waterways in the Seventh Five-Year Plan; and